

# Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

Alex. H. Washburn

## Character Study:

South Gives the

Nation the Bird

Perhaps like myself you have long admired the venerable Saturday Evening Post for its humorous and charming articles on American wild life — if so, you already know what I'm going to say.

The current issue, April 5, carries a feature by Green Williams headlined "Smartest Bird That Tweets." And the report is that this bird "sings like Caruso, dances expertly, makes love magnificently — and will fight anything that flies, walks, or creeps."

Who is this romantic rascal? Why leave it to an audacious Yankee journal to start telling Southerners anything new about their celebrated mockingbird. Nevertheless, SEP comes up with some facts I didn't know — and this editorial import has been kicking around the South a good many years.

The Post remarks that while the mockingbird used to live in the South exclusively he is today distributed over most of the United States. One male bird arrived in Maine in November, defied the rigors of a New England winter — and then wrote back home for his mate, who came up in February. I, who shoveled snow as a boy in northern Pennsylvania, have new respect for the mockingbird.

Magazine accounts of all the birds and animals the mocker has imitated are, of course, old stuff to Southerners. But not being a native son, I, for one, didn't know until SEP pointed it out, that in olden times the mockingbird rivaled the canary as a household pet.

The Post says that as late as the 1880's a good singer sold for \$7 to \$15. I suppose somebody can explain why folks switched to canaries — but I won't go into that.

Most arousing part of the SEP piece is the account of the time Edward W. Bok built his famous Singing Tower near Lake Wales, Fla., and thought it would be nice to import some European nightingales to help out his music festival. The foreigners sounded off in their cages as the Florida mockingbirds picked it up on the down-beat — and the show had no sooner got started at the Bok Tower than it was also "on the road."

But the magazine researchers never let well enough alone. Author Williams comes up with the report that Septimus Winner was a Northerner, and wrote "Listen to the Mockingbird" without ever having heard one.

I suppose that's why Mr. Mockingbird went North in our time — a character in search of an author.

## Texarkana Show Promoted Nationally

The Texarkana Kennel club's third annual AKC Championship Show, scheduled Thursday, May 8, at the Four States Fair Grounds, is featured in the April issue of Dog World — with mention of Hope as a participating town.

Show chairman is Gray J. Osborne, Jr., of KeKab, Texas, assisted by Mrs. Osborne. Show superintendents are Moss & Mulvey, and the judges Louis J. Murr and Mrs. Marion Mangrum — with \$700 in cash prizes at the finals.

The Texarkana-Hope area has been further publicized by distribution of 4,000 copies of the official show program.

Proceeding the show date May 8 there will be a dinner for the judges Wednesday night, May 7, at 7 p.m., at the Coffee Cup in Texarkana, sponsored by the Texarkana Kennel club and the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

In order to get show dogs at their ease in the arena, the Fine Arts building at the Fair grounds, where the exhibit is to be held, will be opened for public use the two Sundays immediately preceding the show date. Dog owners or trainers are invited to try out their arrivals at the building beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 27, and Sunday, May 4.

## Occupations Class Visits Meyer's Baking Plant

The high school students of Horace Hubbard's occupations class visited Meyers Bakery Friday afternoon. O. E. Hays, Production Manager for Meyers Bakeries, conducted the students on the tour of the local plant.

Mr. Hays pointed out that there are many opportunities in the baking industries for young men particularly. The group was told that Meyers is experimenting with the production of an entirely new type of loaf here in this plant.

The students learned a great deal about another of Hope's industries and expressed appreciation for the fine cooperation from Meyers Bakery.

This is the second in a series of tours through Hope industries. The group visited Bruner-Ivory Handle Company on Thursday and will visit Shanhouse next week.

Prizes are given in all living cells.

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## Jury Convicts Costello, Faces 10 Years, Fine

New York, April 5 (AP) — Swarthy, croaky-voiced Frank Costello, who twice stalked out of a Senate crime committee hearing rather than answer questions, was convicted last night of contempt of the United States Senate.

The 61-year-old gambler and underworld figure, who four times previously beat government efforts to put him behind bars, faces a possible maximum sentence of 10 years in prison — plus \$10,000 in fines. He was sentenced in \$5,000 bail pending sentencing Tuesday.

Government Prosecutor Myles J. Lane, who finally tripped the Italian-born racketeer, hailed the jury's guilty verdict as a "turning point" — and said it was proof that no man "no matter how cunning or powerful he might seem to be, could be bigger than the government itself."

The usually calm and poised Costello, visibly shaken by the verdict, had "nothing to say". Those were his words to newsmen as he rose unsteadily to his feet after the jury had reported its decision. The jury deliberated 5 1/2 hours.

The jury, itself, had undergone some shuffling around by the judge in a dramatic last-hour development in the case. Judge Sylvester J. Ryan had fired two of the jurors — and called in alternates.

One of the ousted jurors was the foreman, Mrs. Helen Louise Mason, a Negro housewife.

She told newsmen later that Judge Ryan had accused her of being involved in a \$250 deal to deadlock the jury, and prevent a verdict.

She called the whole thing "ridiculous."

The judge himself said his interview with her in his chambers had been "inaccurately reported," but he did not make public any account of his own.

After the case had been given to the jury, Costello's counsel, Attorney Kenneth M. Spence, sought a retrial of the entire case because of the reshuffled jury.

The motion was denied — but Spence will argue a motion for a mistrial when Costello is brought into court for sentencing.

Costello's lawyers called no witnesses during the trial that ended last night and offered no final summation of its case.

They contended that there were no questions for the jury to decide — that there were only details properly to be ruled on by the court, the reshuffled jury.

The 10-count contempt charge against Costello emanated from his two "walk-outs" during the New York hearings of the widely televised Kefauver committee hearings in March, 1951, and his stubborn refusal to answer specific questions put to him by committee counsel Rudolph Halley.

## Dog Vaccination Program for Rabies Control to Start on Tuesday, Cover All Hempstead

The 1952 dog vaccination program for rabies control in Hempstead county gets underway Tuesday afternoon announced County Agent Oliver L. Adams today.

Last year around 3,000 dogs were vaccinated through the efforts of community leaders in cooperation with Dr. Herbert Rogers DVM, and the county agent.

Authorities report that the vaccination of at least 80 per cent of the dogs in an area has proved its worth in controlling rabies. In Hempstead county this has been especially true. The control of vagrant dogs is an essential part in the program.

In planning the program for 1952 the voluntary leaders ask the cooperation of all dog owners and livestock owners. In addition to protection of the dog population is afforded for valuable livestock and the health and savings of our family and friends.

This year's vaccination will be done by Dr. Herbert Rogers DVM of Hope and Dr. Jack Ambrose DVM of Nashville. Dr. Rogers is doing all work except that in communities adjacent to Nashville. The following schedule was prepared as a convenience to all areas of the county.

Tuesday, April 8  
3 p.m. Owell Store, Shover Springs.

4 p.m. Bob Linaker farm, Centerville on 1.

Wednesday April 9  
1:30 p.m. South of Odom Store at Fulton.

2:30 Spates store at McNab.

3:30 Watercreek Church near Guernsey.

4:15 Mac's Camp West of Hope on 67.

Thursday April 10

## Catholic Church Plans Series of Holy Week Services

All of the traditional Holy Week services carrying out the ancient ritual of the Catholic Church will be observed this week at Our Lady Of Good Hope Church.

High Mass will be sung on Holy Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, followed by a Solemn procession of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be adoration throughout the day, ending with a Eucharistic Holy Hour at 7 p.m.

Services on Good Friday will be from 12 noon until 3 o'clock, consisting of Mass of the Pre-sanctified, veneration of the Cross and Stations.

Holy Saturday: Blessing of the new fire, Paschal Candle, Easter Water and Baptismal Font at 7 a.m.

Confessions will be heard Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Thursday morning before Mass.

## McMath, Wells Real Parties in Purchase Fight

Little Rock, April 5 (AP) — The parade of witnesses will be resumed Monday in the suit seeking to prevent a popular vote on the 1951 purchasing act.

Attorneys argued points of procedure before the full Supreme Court yesterday.

During yesterday's session, an attorney for the two Pulaski County taxpayers who filed the suit said that the "real parties" in the suit were Gov. McMath and John F. Wells, a Little Rock publisher.

Wells spearheaded the referral movement. The act was sponsored in the legislature by McMath administration forces.

Following this statement by Edgar Bell, a Ft. Smith attorney, the court:

(1) Authorized Special Commissioner Wayne Upton to take evidence in all counties of the state, rather than in Pulaski county alone; (2) Denied request by the plaintiffs for a summary judgment in behalf of the two Pulaski county taxpayers.

(3) Rejected a plaintiff's request that Wells be named a party to the suit; (4) Ruled that until a further order by the court, the hearings would continue under the present indefinite bond, posted by administration forces; (5) Authorized Upton to decide on whether signatures on affidavits were admissible as evidence. The affidavits in question are from persons who said their true signatures did not appear on the documents.

(6) Denied a motion to intervene by Rep. Charles Smith of Crittenden county. Smith's motion sought to have costs incurred by state employees in preparing the case charged to the bondsmen.



COMMEMORATION CEREMONY — Queen Juliana of the Netherlands, at right of rostrum, receives an ovation as she arrives at Constitution Hall to participate in ceremonies commemorating the third anniversary of the North Atlantic Treaty. Left to right: Aage Hesselund-Jensen, Counsor, Denmark Embassy, Baron Silvercrisp, Belgium Ambassador, Queen Juliana, President Truman, and Secretary of State Dean Acheson. (NEA Telephoto)



WANTED BABY SISTER — Mr. and Mrs. James Clark, right, Chicago, breathe a sigh of relief as they embrace their 3½-month-old daughter, Mary Cathryn, after she was returned to the couple. The infant was kidnapped from her carriage by Mary Lou Wagner, left, 9, who said she had "always wanted a baby sister." (NEA Telephoto)

## A Retired Fat Man Goes on a Diet and All People Ever Talk About Is Good Food

By HAL BOYLE

New York, April 5 (AP) — I am a retired fat man.

I used to be round and firm and fully packed. I used to be able to crowd a one-way street. When I stepped on the scales, they didn't just weigh me. They said "meat!"

But I was a walking porpoise on purpose. I enjoyed being fat. When I laughed I had twice as much fun as a thin man, because there was so much more of me there ready and able to have a good time.

All this is past. The suits I busted out of yesterday now hang upon me in folds. Where I used to be fat I now sag and wrinkle. I ain't exactly the thin man — but I'm on my way.

Why did I give up the happy, self-satisfied, carefree life of a fat man to join the miserable millions of dieting Americans?

Well, to make a clean breast of it, there were two reasons.

First, I was lonely — overwhelmingly lonely. All my friends were on a diet. All my enemies were on a diet. I began to feel I was the only fat man left in the world.

I had nothing to talk about because there was nothing wrong with me. I just was stout and happy — but they don't allow that anymore.

The second reason I went on a diet is because of my life insurance company. I just hated to go on worrying all right. They began putting ads in the magazines and newspapers saying that fat people don't live as long as not-so-fat people, that fat people don't rally so well from illness.

Have my own theory about that. It is this. Fat people who behave like fat people ought to behave — that is, those who take life slow and easy and one star at a time — live a long while. But fat people who try to act like thin people die young. It is that simple. One of the reasons a whale lives so long is that it doesn't play tennis.

Put my life insurance company kept on putting out these uneasy bulletins against blubber, and finally I began to feel they were pointing at me. I suspected they had a vice-president-in-charge-of-worrying-about-Boyle. Well, who wants to cause a life insurance company all that bother? They wouldn't change their policy — so I changed mine.

I went on a diet, like so many, many millions of people are doing. I took off 17 pounds. It was very easy. Folks like to dream up complicated diets to lose weight, but that is all unnecessary.

The quickest, safest and most healthful way to lose weight is to quit eating what you like and eat all you want of what you don't like.

William Floyd Knight, five years Sebastian, county, has lost 100 pounds since he began his diet.

Five delegates and their spouses, Miss Gwendolyn Dean, are attending the National Honor Society state convention at Jonesboro April 4.

Delegates are: 12th grade — Louise Baker, Magnolia Shiver, Fort Smith; 11th grade — Leonie's Club, Brookwood PTA.

Syd McMath, 12th grade — School Board.

Others taking part in donations were:

Bruner Ivory Handle Co. — \$200.00  
Mrs. Albert Graver — \$100.00  
Junior H. P. T. A. — \$100.00  
VFW — \$100.00  
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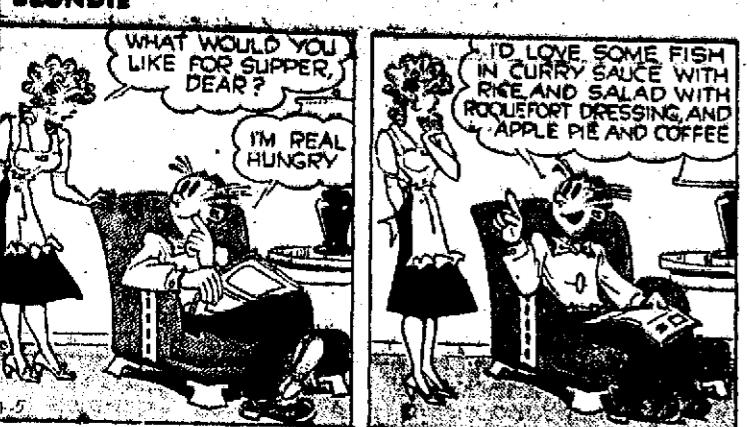
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By Clark Taylor

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By Michael O'Malley and Ralph L.

## Dog Day

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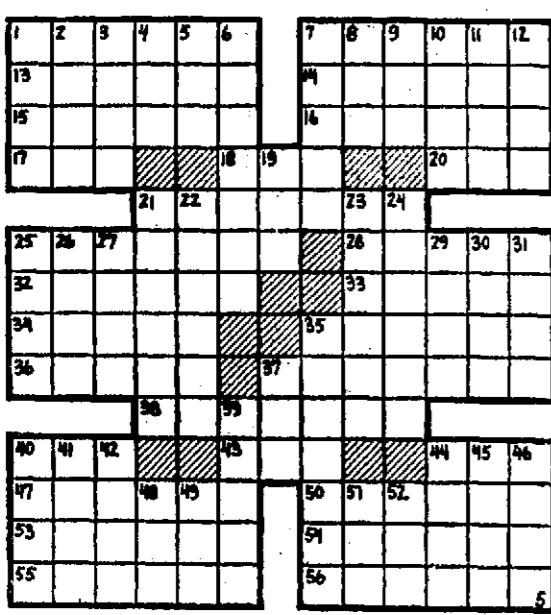
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**HORIZONTAL**

1,7 Breed of canine  
13 Venerable  
14 Trying experience  
15 Takes as one's own child  
16 A dog often tricks  
17 Golf mount  
18 Capuchin monkey  
20 Born  
21 Deadly potions  
25 Interstices  
28 Musteline mammal  
32 Only active in U. S.  
33 One of boats of Columbus  
35 Pared  
36 Cuts  
37 Nautical paymasters  
38 Quill  
40 Follower  
43 Pilfer  
44 Grains (ab.)  
47 Bullfighter  
50 One whose property is mortgaged  
53 Expunged  
54 Decorated  
55 Sets anew  
56 Gun dog

**VERTICAL**

1 Brotherhood (coll.)  
2 Interpret  
3 Cry of Bacchanals  
4 Fiber knots



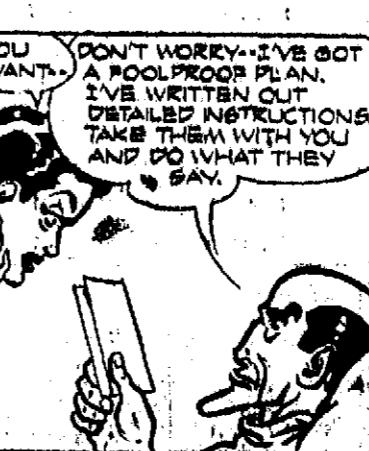
## OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



HEROES ARE MADE-NOT BORN

## VIC FLINT



By Michael O'Malley and Ralph L.

## WASH TUBBS



By Leslie Tun

## OUR BOARDING HOUSE

With Major Hoople



I'M THE GUY YOU OWE FIVE! AND HOW COME YOU'RE SUDDENLY RICHER THAN A PAN OF FUDGE? MONEY LOANED TO YOU USUALLY COMES BACK WITH A BEARD!

YOU ARE ON MY BOOKS FOR EXACTLY ELEVEN DINARS!

## BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



WE'LL JUST HAVE TO FORGET ALL ABOUT OUR MAGIC MUD!



By Edgar Martin

## BUGS BUNNY



By V. T. Ham



COULD BE MY ARM, MAYBE I'LL TELL 'EM TO GONE PLUMB DEAD, NO ELSE THIS ROCK IS MADE OF LEAD!

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner

T. M. Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.  
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"It's difficult enough to get good men to run for public office without this ban on TV in committee hearings!"

## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"They want you to come over and liven up the party!"

## FUNNY BUSINESS

By Hershberger



"They want you to come over and liven up the party!"

## FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Blosser

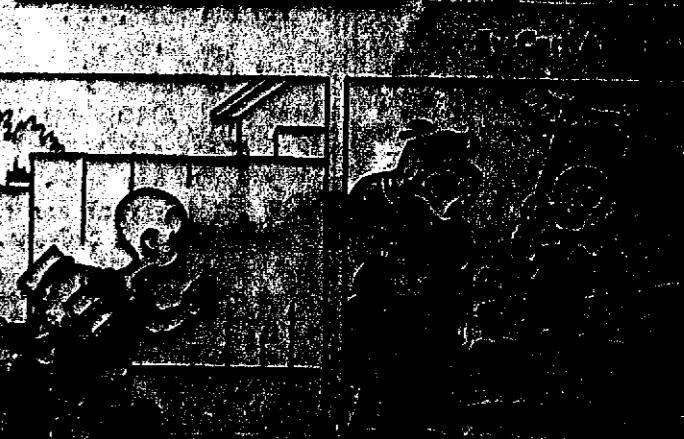


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## CHRIS WELKIN, Planeteer



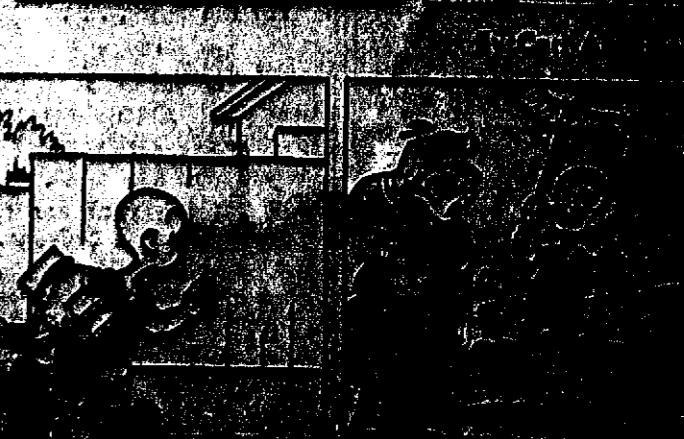
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